



MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC HEARING OF MARCH 28, 2023

MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC HEARING CONVENED BY THE MADERA CEMETERY DISTRICT, HELD TUESDAY, MARCH 28, 2023 AT 5:30 P.M. AT THE ARBOR VITAE CEMETERY LOCATED AT 1301 ROBERTS AVE., MADERA, CA 93637

TRUSTEES PRESENT:

DAVID NEMETH
CANDY TALLEY
LOIS BETTY
BELVA BARE
CELESTE VOYLES

PUBLIC/EMPLOYEES PRESENT:

ARTHUR GARDNER - DISTRICT MANAGER
RONNIE RAMIREZ – OPERATIONS MANAGER
STEPHEN CLOETERS – H.R. GENERALIST

CALL TO ORDER:

Chairperson Candy Talley called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

INTRODUCTION OF THE BOARD AND DISTRICT STAFF TO PUBLIC:

Chairperson Candy Talley introduced the Board of Trustees and District staff.

PLEDGE TO THE FLAG:

Trustee Celeste Voyles led the room in the Pledge of Allegiance.

EXPLANATION OF PROPOSED ACTION:

Board Chair Candy Talley explained that the purpose of the hearing was to discuss increasing the amount of the compensation paid to Trustees.

Q&A SESSION:

There was a discussion about the Board not having received an increase in compensation since 2004. According to the California Water Code, which governs in decisions such as this, the Board could increase its compensation at a rate of 5% each year since 2004. There was a discussion about tying annual compensation increases to the Consumer Price Index. It was agreed that Trustees would be paid the highest amount allowed by the law.

Trustee David Nemeth motioned to increase Trustee compensation to \$252 per meeting. Trustee Celeste Voyles seconded, and all were in favor: Candy Talley, aye; Lois Betty, aye; Belva Bare, aye; David Nemeth, aye; and Celeste Voyles, aye.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

No members of the public were present to comment.

ADJOURNMENT: 5:37 p.m.